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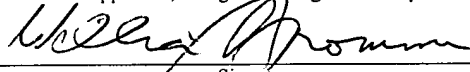
Applicant(s) : Tetsujiro KONDO et al. Notice of Allowance
Dated: 2/7/05
Serial No. : 09/887,635 Confirmation No.: 7459
For : **IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD,
AND STORAGE MEDIUM THEREFOR**
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.312

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Dear Sir:

Following the Notice of Allowance mailed February 7, 2005, please amend the
claims of this application as follows: